(b) and (c) IODEX was relicensed as the ingredients of the product are mentioned in "Rasatantra Sara Siddha Prayoga Sangraha" which is an authoritative book on Ayurveda mentioned under Sl. No. 21 of the First Schedule of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

DABURUB was relicensed as the composition is purely of Ayurvedic raw drugs and recommended by the Ayurvedic expert panel of Uttar Pradesh Government.

In the case of IODEX, the manufacturer has given reference to the Ayurvedic book "Rasa Tantra Sara Siddha Prayoga Sangrah."

In respect of DABURUB, the manufacturer has changed the ingredients in the Ayurvedic formula.

2876. [*Transferred to the 19th December*, 1991]

Treatment of Typhoid

2877. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 29th May, 1991 under the caption "New Typhoid Germs Warring Doctors"; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) Medical experts of the country have found that Solmonalla Typhi phase Type E-II is a strain of Typhoid germ which is resistant to conventional antibiotics, namely, chloramphanicol. However, this strain is sensitive to Norfloxacin and Ciprofloxacin. The said strain is known to the medical community and is dully covered in the educational courses of the medical colleges. The National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases, Calcutta, has carried out studies on the prevalence of multi-drug resistant enteric fever in hospitals and efficacy of furazolidone against it which are relevant and would help us to tackle the problem more effectively.

मध्य प्रदेश में रसोई गैस के वितरक

2878. श्री राघव जी : क्या पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में कितने ब्लाक विकास मुख्यालयों में अब तक रसोई गैस के वितरकों की नियुक्ति नहीं की गई है ;

(ख) क्या सरकार निकट भविष्य में उन स्थानों में वितरक नियुक्ति करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री एस. कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) से (ग) उत्पादकी सीमित उपलब्धता के कारण 20,000 और उससे अधिक जनसंख्या (1981 का जनगणना के अनुसार) वाले स्थानों पर वाणिज्य व्यवहार्यता और उत्पाद की उपलब्धता के आधार पर एल.जी.पी. की नयी एजेंसियां चरणों में खोली जाती हैं।

Encephalitis in Deoria District of Uttar Pradesh

2879. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that hundred of persons have died due to encephalitis in Deoria district of Uttar Pradesh in September and October, 1991;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to control the spread of the diseases in the above district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) whether Government have chalked out any long term plan to control the above disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) According to the information furnished by the Government of Uttar Pradesh the number of deaths due to Japanese Encephalitie in Deoria District during September-October, 1991 was 25 and 251 respectively.

(b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh have reported that the following containment measures were undertaken:—

— Issue of Guidelines for prevention and control of Japanese Encephalitis to the District Health Authorities.

— Stocking adequate quantity of insecticide, for vector control and medicines for management of Japanese Encephalitis cases.

— Intensive fogging operations in the affected areas.

— Arrangement for the timely transportation of patients treament centres.

— Deputing mobile teams to supervise arrangements for assisting the District Health Staff in the control of Japanese Encephalitis. The Government of India has been providing assistance in the form of insecticide to the State Government for undertaking control measures.

(c) For evolving a long term strategy for prevention and control of Japanese Encephalitis (JE) in Uttar Pradesh, the Indian Council of Medical Research has established a field unit at Gorakhpur to suggest ways by which the density of mosquitoes which transmit Japanese Encephalitis can be controlled.

Ban on Unethical Ayurvedic Product

2880. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sale of an Ayurvedic product called 'Select', which can alter the sex of the foetus has been banned in Gujarat; and

(b) whether Government propose to ban similar other ayurvedic products and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) As per the information available from Gujarat State the permission to manufacture Ayurvedic Product 'Select' was withdrawn in February, 1991.

(b) The Central Government have not come across any similar other products.

Allotment of govt. accommodation by Delhi Administration

@2881. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the grounds on which the Delhi Administration allot Government accommodation to its employees on out of turn basis; and

(b) whether postings in sensitive and VIP areas also constitute a ground for out of turn allotment in Delhi Administration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) Delhi Administration have reported that allotment on out of turn basis is made only in deserving cases, mainly on medical grounds.

@Previously Unstarred Question 2416 transferred from the 13th December, 1991.